

Van Spankeren House (Wyatt Earp House)
507 E. Franklin St.
Pella
Marion County
Iowa

HABS No. IA-97

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PHOTOGRAPHS

HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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STATE IOWA	COUNTY MARION	TOWN OR VICINITY PELLA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) VAN SPANKEREN HOUSE		HABS NO. IA-97
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Wyatt Earp House		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 507 E. Franklin St.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Built circa 1850.	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Boyhood home of Wyatt Earp.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) This house is constructed of white-painted brick. Interior structural system is composed of plank-and-beam construction.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) This double house is two stories in height with an eight-bay front. It is capped by a gable roof.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Front facade contains large six-over-six-light double hung windows. The second story windows are contiguous to the denticulated brick cornice.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Excellent, the house is now a museum, part of the Pella Historical Village.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Shank, Wesley I., The Iowa Catalog: Historic American Buildings Survey, University of Iowa Press, Iowa City, 1979.		
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